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Mr. Brian Gustafson, Administrator  
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Dear Mr. Gustafson,

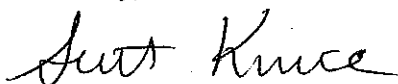
I write to express the support of the Beresford Economic Development Corporation for the Hyperion Energy Center air permit application. Please accept this letter as our formal comment requesting that DENR approve Hyperion's application. We strongly believe that this project is a great opportunity for South Dakota, our region and our nation.

We support the Hyperion Energy Center for the following reasons:

- Hyperion is committed to meeting or exceeding all environmental standards required by DENR;
- Hyperion is demonstrating a commitment to good corporate citizenship and community involvement;
- The economic benefit the state, region and nation will experience from this project is tremendous;
- Thousands of new jobs, new tax revenue and tremendous growth as a result of this project will benefit everyone in the region
- This project allows South Dakota to take a leadership role in helping America to increase its energy security.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Scott Kruse  
President  
BEDCO

CC: Board of Minerals and Environment